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11. Purported North Korean intercept outlines Communist aims in Korea: "If there is a third world war, the UN troops will go back to their countries, then our Peoples Army will occupy all of South Korea, and it will get the liberation," stated an alleged North Korean message of 14 July intercepted by a South Korean unit whose work cannot be checked.

The message continued that "to oppose the presidential election in South Korea, we have been sending thousands of the political men to South Korea." It concluded with the statement that "the day when our troops occupy all of South Korea, Japan also will belong to our Peoples Republic of Korea." (CANOE 15RSM/483, Korea, 16 July 52)

Comment: Statements of this nature have never appeared in any previous North Korean intercept. The fact that the contents of this message are alien to any known Communist propaganda line suggest that this may be a clumsy South Korean attempt at fabrication.

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13. North Korean armored unit in 37th Infantry Division area on east coast: A North Korean armored unit, using a previously unidentified call-sign, on 12 July stated that "the unit. . . will work on the holes on 14 July and the 37th Division will give us 50 men to work on the tank holes on the 15th." (CANOE 15RSM/390, Korea, 14 July 52)

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Comment: One major armored unit of regimental size recently arrived on the east coast near Wonsan. Armored battalions, probably of self-propelled artillery, are already located in the Wonsan and in the Hamhung area.

It is possible that this is a subordinate battalion of the recently arrived armored regiment attached for training to the 37th Infantry Division, VII Corps.

14. Ten North Korean soldiers die from poisoned food: A message passed between two units of an unidentified North Korean east coast brigade on 12 July stated that "the troops of the V Corps changed foods at the civilian houses and there was poison in it so 10 men were killed." The originator warned the units under his command that they "must not change any food" with the civilians. (CANOE 15RSM/381 Korea, 14 July 52)

Comment: North Korean and Chinese units have commandeered food from the North Korean civilians when the necessity arose. It is possible that in the above instance the food was poisoned intentionally.

15. US reconnaissance plane attacked in Korea Bay: An American weather reconnaissance plane was attacked by a MIG-15 over Korea Bay on the morning of 16 July. The US aircraft successfully evaded 15 passes. The enemy pilot appeared to be nervous and overanxious. The MIG was last seen heading in a southeasterly direction toward Chefoo or Tsingtao on the Shantung Peninsula. FEAF comments that the enemy has seldom exercised his known capability of intercepting US planes over Korea Bay. (S FECOM Telecon, 5980, 17 July 52)

Comment: The few previous attacks on US air patrols or reconnaissance aircraft in this area were by Soviet jet fighters from Port Arthur and Dairen. However, this MIG could be from the Chinese 16th Division based at Tsingtao which is flying "air defense combat patrol" missions, according to intercepted Chinese messages. The Chinese pilots at Tsingtao are probably less experienced than Soviet pilots from Dairen.



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